



Connie Nathel Stokes

September 20, 1950 - March 14, 2026

Memorial services for Connie Nathel Stokes, 75, of Tyler will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 2:00 P.M. at Stewart Family Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, March 28, 2026 at First Baptist Church Fort Worth.

Mrs. Stokes passed away Saturday, March 14, 2026, in Tyler.

She was born September 20, 1950 in San Antonio to Nathan Herman and Thelma Roberts Hays.

Connie was a member of First Baptist Church Fort Worth, conducted Bible Studies and also was a member of Purpose of Heart Studies. She graduated from Harlandale High and St. Phillips College of San Antonio. She held many different jobs through her life, starting at Joske's as a part time sales person (1966-1968) working for SW Bell Telephone (1968-1970), becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse (1979-1985), Connie was preceded in death by her mother, Thelma Lee Roberts Hays and father Nathan Herman Hays, half brothers Charles/Buddy and Tommy Ryan. She is survived by her loving family including her loving husband of 55 years Walter Stokes, son, Walter (Wally) Stokes, Jr. and wife Michele Finnin Stokes all of Tyler and granddaughter Taylor Stokes of Charlotte, NC.

A visitation will be held from 1:00-2:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at

Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy in Tyler.

If desired, memorials may be made to the American Kidney Fund(<https://give.kidneyfund.org>)

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Memorial Service

MAR **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Celebration of Life

MAR **28**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church Fort Worth
NE Loop 820
Fort Worth, TX

Tribute Wall



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Connie Nathel Stokes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 24 at 12:26 PM



“ Stewart Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Connie Nathel Stokes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 16 at 04:13 PM

FH

That was beautiful. She was a great woman, inside and out. I'm happy that Connie and Sue are together again. I'm looking forward to joining them

Francis Hulkenberg - March 19 at 12:47 PM

TS

Connie was an amazing soul; compassionate, giving funny and a great cook. Her faith was a part of her; her DNA. She now rests in peace in His presence, and will always be in my heart.

Tom Sullivan - March 21 at 11:09 AM

MB

*Will miss Connie & her kindness & her deep faith in Jesus Christ .
Connie always seemed to see the very best in people & was very
encouraging. She & Walt were a very loving couple. Will miss her .*

Marian Boubel - March 23 at 10:39 PM

MB

*“ Such a heartfelt Service for Connie.
Words mentioned and Music so beautifully shared in the Video
Service.
Connie was a Special Cousin and always
a Lovely Lady.
I lift her Family in Prayer for our Lord Jesus
Christ as only he can Comfort You.*

MARGIE BRAUDAWAY - March 24 at 04:14 PM

NF

“ Nancy Coln & Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Connie Nathel Stokes.



Nancy Coln & Family - March 23 at 10:15 AM



*“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the
family of Connie Nathel Stokes.*



March 22 at 05:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Connie Nathel Stokes.

March 22 at 05:55 PM



“ Always presented herself as a dignified, pleasant, and joyful lady during our few interactions. Known throughout her husband’s professional community for making him a better man. I personally will miss her famous mac-n-cheese 😊. I pray for the family to have the Lord’s peace and may He provide comfort and strength during this most difficult transition in their lives.

Winston Robinson

Winston Robinson - March 17 at 01:04 PM



“ The Maxfields purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Connie Nathel Stokes.



The Maxfields - March 16 at 03:30 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stewart Family Funeral Home - March 16 at 03:09 PM

TS

“ Tom & Elizabeth Sullivan purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Connie Nathel Stokes.



Tom & Elizabeth Sullivan - March 16 at 11:39 AM

TS

“ Tom & Elizabeth Sullivan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Connie Nathel Stokes.

Tom & Elizabeth Sullivan - March 16 at 11:39 AM

LB

“ Connie and I met at St. PHILLIPS while standing in line to register for nursing school and we both were so very nervous and a little afraid. We became BFF then and still are. We have been in many ups and downs thru out our lifetime of friendship. She was the most kindest person in the world. I am a better person now because of her. She brought me closer to the Lord than any other person did. And I will be eternally grateful for that.
I do miss my sister in Christ now but will be happy to see her in Heaven with our Lord and Savior, Jesus. I love you Connie.

Linda brugmann - March 15 at 09:03 PM

DF

“ Donna Peterson and family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Connie Nathel Stokes.



Donna Peterson and family - March 15 at 07:27 PM

DF

“ Donna Peterson and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Connie Nathel Stokes.

Donna Peterson and family - March 15 at 07:27 PM

JF

“ John Hulkenberg and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Connie Nathel Stokes.



John Hulkenberg and family - March 15 at 05:13 PM